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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) Crate with side walls and a bottom provided in its interior with separating walls creating a plurality of separated spaces for holding a containers, the crate being made out of a thermoplastic material by injection molding, the thermoplastic material being a transparent or translucent material comprising a blend of at least one thermoplastic aromatic polycarbonate resin and at least one thermoplastic polyester resin comprising units derivable from a cycloaliphatic diol and a cycloaliphatic or a aromatic diacid.
2. (original) Crate of claim 1 made out of a thermoplastic material comprising 20-90% by weight of the polycarbonate resin and 80-10% by weight of the polyester.
3. (currently amended) Crate of claim 1 wherein the polyester is polyester comprising units derivable from a cycloaliphatic diol and units derivable from one or more of iso- and ~~terephthalic~~ terephthalic acid.
4. (original) Crate of claim 1 wherein the polyester is a polyester comprising as diol component a mixture of 50-100 mol % of units derivable from an cycloaliphatic diol and 0-50 mol % units derivable from an alkylene glycol and as a diacid component 0-100 mol % units derivable from a phthalic acid and 100-0 mol % units derivable from a non-aromatic diacid.
5. (original) Crate of claim 1 with one or more sidewalls transmitting at the most transparent spot more than 50% of a perpendicular incident ray of visible light.
6. (original) Crate of claim 1 made out of a thermoplastic material further comprising one or more dyes and/or UV absorbers and with a thickness of the side walls so that the side walls of the crate do not transmit more than 10% of incident radiation with a wavelength up to 200-460 nanometer.
7. (original) Crate of claim 1 made out of a thermoplastic material further comprising one or more dyes and/or UV absorbers and with a thickness of the side walls so that the side walls of the crate do not transmit more than 5% of incident radiation with a wavelength up to 200-460 nanometer.
8. (currently amended) Crate with side walls and a bottom provided in its interior with separating walls creating a plurality of separated spaces for holding a containers, the crate being

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made by injection molding partly or completely out of a first thermoplastic material, the first thermoplastic material being a transparent or translucent material comprising a blend of at least one thermoplastic aromatic polycarbonate resin and at least one thermoplastic polyester resin comprising units derivable from a cycloaliphatic diol and a cycloaliphatic or a aromatic diacid and a ~~the~~ second thermoplastic material being different from the first.

9. (original) Crate of claim 8 wherein one or more of the side walls or partly or completely made out of the first thermoplastic material.

10. (new) Crate of claim 1, wherein the thermoplastic material comprises at 95 % by weight or more of the polycarbonate resin and the polyester resin.

11. (new) Crate of claim 10, wherein the thermoplastic material further comprises one or more dyes and/or UV absorbers and wherein the crate has a thickness of the side walls such that the side walls of the crate do not transmit more than 10% of incident radiation with a wavelength in the range of 200-460 nanometers.

12. (new) Crate of claim 10, wherein the thermoplastic material further comprises one or more dyes and/or UV absorbers and wherein the crate has a thickness of the side walls such that the side walls of the crate do not transmit more than 5% of incident radiation with a wavelength in the range of 200-460 nanometers.

13. (new) A method of making a crate with side walls and a bottom provided in its interior with separating walls creating a plurality of separated spaces for holding a containers, comprising the step of injection molding a thermoplastic material to form the crate, wherein the thermoplastic material is a transparent or translucent material comprising a blend of at least one thermoplastic aromatic polycarbonate resin and at least one thermoplastic polyester resin comprising units derivable from a cycloaliphatic diol and a cycloaliphatic or a aromatic diacid.

14. (new) The method of claim 13, wherein the thermoplastic material comprises 95 % by weight or more of the polycarbonate resin and the polyester resin.

15. (new) The method of claim 14, wherein the thermoplastic material further comprises one or more dyes and/or UV absorbers and wherein the crate has a thickness of the side walls such that the side walls of the crate do not transmit more than 10% of incident radiation with a wavelength in the range of 200-460 nanometers.

16. (new) The method of claim 14, wherein the thermoplastic material further comprises one or more dyes and/or UV absorbers and wherein the crate has a thickness of the side walls such that

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the side walls of the crate do not transmit more than 5% of incident radiation with a wavelength in the range of 200-460 nanometers.